



Lake Park Villager

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GOVERNMENT CALENDAR

Village government meetings and elections are held at the Community Center and are open to the public.

- July 4 Village Office Closed
- July 8 7:00 pm Council Meeting
- July 15 7:00 pm Planning Board Meeting
- July 17 6:30 pm Economic Development Commission
- July 28 6:30 pm Parks & Recreation Commission

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

LAKE PARK PUBLIC PARKS OPEN AT DAWN, CLOSE AT DUSK

LAKE PARK TENNIS COURTS LIMIT USE TO 1 HOUR – ALL USERS
PAUL WOLFCALF RECREATION COMPLEX

LAKE PARK HOMEOWNER ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING
JUL 1 – 7:00 PM LAKE PARK COMMUNITY CENTER
ALL HOMEOWNERS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND

LAKE PARK SINGLES AGES 45+
JUL 3 – 7:00 PM LAKE PARK COMMUNITY CENTER

SAGES LAKE PARK COMMUNITY CENTER
JUL 7 – 1:00 PM CARD GAMES 882-6906
JUL 11 – 7:00 PM PATRIOTIC MEETING 882-2005
JUL 21 – 11:15 AM LUNCH & CARD GAMES 882-6906

ONCE-A-MONTH 'FURNITURE PICKUP' DAY
JUL 10 – 7:00 AM FURNITURE IS NOT COLLECTED OTHER WEEKS

MOVIE IN THE PARK: "SECRETARIAT" SPONSORED BY HOA
JUL 11 – STARTS AT DUSK (RAIN DATE JUL 12) TOWN CENTER PARK

SECOND PRIMARY: COUNTY COMMISSIONER RUN-OFF
JUL 15 – POLLS OPEN 6:30 AM – 7:30 PM COMMUNITY CENTER

VILLAGER NEWSLETTER IN HOME MAILBOX TUBES BY JUL 29
JUL 18 ITEMS DEADLINE E-MAIL OR PHONE ITEMS TO SANDY COUGHLIN

GARDEN CLUB NO JULY MEETING

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT
AUG 5 – 6:30 PM – 9:00 PM TOWN CENTER PARK

LAKE PARK LIVE: MUSIC & ARTS FESTIVAL TOWN CENTER PARK
AUG 23 – 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM HOST: CENTRAL ACADEMY & CHURCH

Safety Reminders

- 🔔 Motorists, watch for youth who may not see you.
- 🔔 Keep an eye on homes when owners are gone.
- 🔔 Stop mail and newspapers while you are away.

Memorial Day Report

Over 270 people lined the Creft Circle bank around Veterans Pond at 11 am Monday, May 26 to witness the flag raising ceremony in honor of military men and women who serve our nation, wounded veterans and especially those who lost their lives for our freedom. With prayer, patriotic songs, speeches, silent reflection and a 21-gun salute, the community honored their commitment. Over 25 residents and guests worked together on the program. Our village founder, Chris Mathisen, organizers Ashley and Shannon Dance, and contributions by the Garden Club, SAGES and other sponsors were acknowledged for the event held on the memorial plaza at Veterans Park. Sean Lowther's video, a list of honored guests and sponsors can be viewed at www.lakeparknc.gov.

July 4 Parade & Picnic

The annual children's parade will begin at 11 am at the Community Center. Picnic hot dogs, chips and drinks will be available in Russell Park. Watermelon is free. Music and children's games follow the picnic.

Common Heart races kick off the day with a 7:30 am 10k race followed by a 5k and a 1k race. The kid's Firecracker Dash is at 10 am. Register for races by July 2 at www.commonheartfirecracker.racesonline.com

Waste Collection

All trash, garbage, recyclables, yard debris, appliances and electronic devices put to the curb by 7 am any Thursday will be collected by Waste Pro on that same day. Service will not be affected by the 4th of July because the holiday falls on Friday. Only when a holiday occurs on or before Thursday is our usual Thursday collection delayed to Friday. No delays are anticipated until the week of Labor Day in September.

NOTE: Discarded furniture will ONLY be collected on the 2nd Thursday, i.e. one Furniture Pickup Day per month. Do not curb furniture on any other waste pick up day.

E-Notification

Pam Jack is researching electronic notification as an additional way to get important local news to Lake Park residents. Council now provides this monthly newsletter, *The Lake Park Villager*, and uses www.lakeparknc.gov

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Call 911 to report emergency or any suspicious behavior.

For non-emergency: (704) 289-1591

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to keep the public informed. *Villager* is delivered only to residences that have a newspaper tube at their mailbox. Lake Park's Homeowner Association also provides email bulletins for local events, lost or found pets, etc. to all homeowners who register their email addresses at www.lakeparknc.com.

Code Red

The Union County Sheriff's Office of Emergency Management utilizes the CODE RED system to notify the community in the event of an emergency or other important information such as missing persons, sex offenders or severe weather impacts. To receive the notices, just register your home, cell or other numbers at www.co.union.nc.us/Divisions/EmergencyCommunications.aspx. Persons and businesses can then be alerted as emergency or other important information occurs.

Only Rain in Storm Drains

Litter, trash or any other waste should never be left in streets or alleys nor be dropped in street drains. Don't litter. Lake Park provides the parks and every household with waste collection service. Waste Pro provides and services trash containers and recycle bins. See litter? Please pick it up and put in a proper receptacle.

Call Before You Dig

All utility companies (phone, electric, cable) will gladly mark where the underground lines cross your lot. A quick call to 811 will set up that service call before you start a landscaping or renovation project that could damage lines or cut power in your neighborhood.

All-Star Swim Meet

The Lake Park Piranhas' swim team schedule winds up their 2014 season this month. The league's All Star Meet is at 6pm at the Mecklenburg Aquatic Center in Charlotte July 8.

Second Primary July 15

Citizens registered as Republican or Unaffiliated may vote in the runoff for County Commissioner. Republican candidates Tracy Kuehler and Stony Rushing are on the ballot; voters may choose one. Lake Park Community Center is our designated polling place.

Fishing Permits Required

Anyone 16 years or older wishing to fish in Lake Park must carry their 2014 permit. Permits are available at the Community Center 9am – noon, Monday through Friday or by mail; \$2 for village residents, \$20 for non-residents.

U.S. Development Games

Brandon Sieminski, Porter Ridge High School football kicker, son of resident Royetta Sieminski, has been invited to the U.S. National Development Team based on his 'outstanding football skills, leadership and character'. He has the opportunity to compete in the USNDT Games at Towson University in Towson MD in July.

EDC: Economic Development

♦ **Children of Faith Preschool** is registering for July 14-17 "Blast Off" summer camp program for ages 4 thru rising 5th graders and is seeking teen volunteers. Call 882-5583 to volunteer. Register online at www.faithisalive.org

♦ **Hometown Support:** Have you supported a Lake Park business this week? Local small businesses cannot advertise for your attention like big chains do. Business, churches and school leaders in our village want to get to know you, to serve you and your family. Visit our home town professionals; help them grow as they help you.

P&RC: Parks & Recreation

♦ **Mayor Cleveland appointed Fabian Szarko** to co-chair the Parks & Recreation Commission.

♦ **Overstream & Dula Construction** repaired and re-coated the Clocktower fountains at no cost to the village.

♦ **Pond Fountains:** Lucas Landscaping will install two lighted aerator fountains in the Russell Park pond, and will also replace the failed Connie's Pond fountain. Costs are covered in the pond maintenance budget.

♦ **Hoods Masonry** will repair brickwork and masonry throughout our public areas including new capstones at the Queens/Hoover Street Park and repairs at the Founders Park gazebo. Costs are covered in the park maintenance budget

♦ **Community Center** exterior painting will begin in September. The Community Room carpet was replaced June 17.